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Annual Meeting of the Price River System with Representatives of the State Engineer January 29, 1971 - 9:30 a.m.
Little Courtroom, Courthouse, Price, Utah

The meeting was called to order by Chairman George Waterman. Secretary John Bene read the minutes of the last regular meeting. There being no corrections, alterations, or additions to the minutes, a motion was made by Albert Thayne and seconded by Carlyle Pace that the minutes be accepted as read. The motion carried.

Dave Rowley, Price River Commissioner, gave the following highlights from his 1970 report: January 1, 1970, Scofield Reservoir had 39,730 ac.-ft. with a gage height of 107.60. The amount of reservoir water diverted in the irrigation season 1970 was 24,958.70 ac.-ft. The total diversion from Price River was 89,607.30 ac.-ft. This is approximately 6 ac.-ft./acre of irrigated land under the system. Note: Some of this water was used by the cities and industry. 80,362 ac.-ft. was used for irrigation out of the 89,607 ac.-ft. Bill Marsing made a motion to accept the commissioner's report. The motion was seconded by Carlyle Pace.

Lyle Bryner reported briefly on the results of the most recent snow survey. Most of the snow stations showed results above normal for this time of the year.

Mr. Waterman reported that the Price River Adjudication Committee agreed to pay one-half the cost of sending an extra man along with the S.C.S. snow survey crew. This has cost \$10.00 per trip. The Price River Water Users Association is paying the other half.

Frank Reese from the State Engineer's Office gave the financial report for the year 1970. The motion was made by Jack Chiaretta that the financial report be accepted as read. The motion was seconded by Albert Thayne.

The secretary read Dave Rowley's application for the river commissioner's job for the 1971 season. In his application Mr. Rowley stipulated that he be paid a salary of \$2,000.00 for the year, with mileage at 15¢ per mile and with \$150.00 for the annual report. Note: Mr. Rowley was the only one who submitted an application for the job. The motion was made by Sam Fazzio and seconded by Rex Mathis that Dave Rowley's proposition be accepted and that he be recommended to the State Engineer for reappointment. Mr. Norseth stated that Mr. Rowley is to be reappointed since he has done an outstanding job.

The next item of business was the setting up of the budget for the 1971 season.

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Commissioner's salary	\$2,000.00
Matching social security	130.00
Matching state retirement	115.00
Commissioner's travel expense at $15\phi/\text{mile}$ for 14,000 miles	2,100.00
Commissioner's annual report	150.00
Bonds and insurance	25.00
Miscellaneous expense	25.00
Total 1971 Budget	\$4,545.00
Total 1971 Assessment	\$4,545.00

The motion was made by Lyle Bryner that the budget be set at \$4,545.00 and that the assessment be made to the same amount. The motion was seconded by Albert Thayn. The motion carried.

Mr. Norseth mentioned the fact that House Bill #79 was brought up and that it involved a law concerning channel changes and various improvements in natural channels. He suggested that all water users take a hard look at it and its longterm consequences.

Mr. William Marsing made a motion that the water users continue to withdraw any reserve funds built up through assessments and invest them in local bank time certificates as they have done in the past. The motion was seconded by Rex Mathis and carried unanimously.

Having gone through the regular order of business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

John Bene, Secretary

Members present:

LaMond Gardner, Division of Water Rights Kenward H. McKinney, Division of Water Rights Frank Reese, Division of Water Rights Don Norseth, Division of Water Rights John Bene, Deputy State Engineer J. Golden Haight, Utah Power & Light Company Ralph W. Shank, The North American Coal Corporation Sam Fazzio, Spring Glen Canal Rex Mathis, Price River Water Users Association Wm. Marsing, Carbon Canal Company Albert Thayn, Wellington Canal Company E.O. Jacksen, Spring Glen Canal Leon Pressett, U. S. Steel Boyd McKean, U. S. Steel Paul Moynier, Pioneer #2 F.S. Slaugh, Pioneer #1 Carlyle Pace, Price Water Company Jack Chiaretta, Carlson Canal Company

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Phil E. Thayn, Wellington Canal Company
Morris G. Olsen, Water User
Rell L. Argyle, County Agent
Lyle Bryner, Price River Water Users' Association
Dave Rowley, Water Commissioner
George Waterman, Price River Water Users' Association Chairman

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